

Department of Planning and Budget

2021 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** SB1436ER

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Hanger

3. **Committee:** Passed both Houses.

4. **Title:** Department of Health; Eligible Health Care Provider Reserve Directory.

5. **Summary:** Directs the Department of Health to establish an Eligible Health Care Provider Reserve Directory (the Directory) to collect information regarding eligible health care providers in the Commonwealth who are qualified and who may be available to assist in the response to a public health emergency. The Directory shall include the name, contact information, and licensure, certification, or registration type and status of the eligible health care provider or, if the eligible health care provider is a fourth-year medical student, academic standing and anticipated graduation date of the fourth-year medical student if the student registers for inclusion in the Directory. Every health regulatory board of the Department of Health Professions, the Office of Emergency Medical Services of the Department of Health, and each medical school located in the Commonwealth, upon the request of a fourth-year medical student, shall provide such information to the Department of Health for inclusion in the Directory. However, a health regulatory board shall not report information for any such person who has notified the health regulatory board in writing that he does not want his information included in the Directory.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** See item 8.

7a. Expenditure Impact:

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>Positions</i>	<i>Fund</i>
2021			
2022	\$36,000		General
2023	\$9,000		General
2024	\$9,000		General
2025	\$9,000		General
2026	\$9,000		General
2027	\$9,000		General

8. **Fiscal Implications:** This bill, as amended, would require the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) to establish an Eligible Health Care Provider Reserve Director to collect information regarding eligible health care providers in the Commonwealth who are qualified and who may be available to assist in the response to a public health emergency. VDH would

need a database to collect and store the information required. Since VDH does not have an existing database to collect information for the purposes of the Directory, one must be developed. VDH's Office of Information Management estimates that creation of the necessary database will require 400 hours of staff time at a cost of \$36,000 and an annual maintenance cost of \$9,000 thereafter. Regular maintenance of the Directory, through a web portal, upload site, or similar, is necessary to ensure the database is kept up-to-date in a timely fashion. It is assumed the VDH can absorb these costs within existing resources.

This bill would not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Health Profession's health regulatory boards as they already collect this information.

This bill would not have a fiscal impact on Virginia's medical schools.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: The Virginia Department of Health.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.